

ATTORNEY GENERAL MIKE COX

As the top law enforcement official in Michigan, the "People's Lawyer," and the CEO of Michigan's Largest Law firm, Mike Cox has delivered record-setting performances on behalf of consumers, seniors, and children.

Since taking office, Mike Cox has recovered a record \$3.2 billion for Michigan consumers and saved Michigan taxpayers more than \$1.7 billion in defense of state lawsuits.

Cox has saved families and businesses more than \$2.4 billion by fighting utility rate increases, and he blocked new restrictions from being imposed on the construction of several new clean coal power plants throughout Michigan.

In health care, Cox has saved millions more in higher premiums and costs for Blue Cross customers by fighting rate hikes and stopping anti-consumer bills in the state legislature. Seniors and the uninsured are also saving money as a result of Cox's michigandrugprices.com, a website where you can shop for the best deal on more than 150 prescription drugs at stores anywhere in Michigan.

Cox helped draft legislation requiring criminal background checks for those who care for Michigan's vulnerable adults. His team has recovered more than \$140 million in Medicaid fraud, while also fighting drug companies that fraudulently billed the state of Michigan or put consumers at risk.

The protection of Michigan's children is a special focus for Mike Cox. His first-in-the nation Child Support Unit has helped over 60,000 Michigan children receive the child support they deserve. The Attorney General's award-winning Internet safety program, the Cyber Safety Initiative, has been taught to more than 415,000 K-8 students. Cox also reorganized the Internet Crimes Unit, leading to the arrest of more than 225 child Internet sex predators.

Cox also restructured the Criminal Division, which has prosecuted more than 50 public corruption cases. Its Cold Case Unit has put more than one dozen murderers in prison, including a notorious serial killer, Coral Watts.

Additionally, Cox created a Mortgage Fraud unit with the State Police that has charged more than one dozen individuals in the last 6 months. More than 50,000 homeowners benefited from aggressive actions against predatory lenders and a series of mortgage foreclosure seminars held across the state that have given families hope of saving their homes.

Cox also went to court and testified before Congress to defend the auto industry, and those whose jobs depend on it, from efforts to impose huge, additional costs on domestic carmakers.

A former Marine, Mike Cox holds both an undergraduate and a law degree from the University of Michigan. He is a father of 4 and a Little League coach, and is married to Laura Cox.

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